

## **Meeting Minutes**

# **Alabama Assistive Technology Resource**

## STATE STAR ADVISORY COUNCIL

**Date**: December 22, 2005 **Next Meeting**: March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2006 – 10:00-12:00

4<sup>th</sup> - Thursdays: Jun / Sept / Dec / Mar

The 3rd Quarterly STAR Advisory Council Meeting for 2005 was held Thursday, December 22 at the ADRS Conference Room in Montgomery, Alabama with "conference call-in".

## **Statewide Council Member Representation:**

"Present checks includes conference callers"

- □ **Asst. Commissioner Joseph Helm**State Agency Rep: Assistant
- ☑ **Patty Nelson** ADRS/SAIL State Ctr for Independent Living Rep:
- ☑ **Raymond Clenney** *Alabama Workforce Development Rep*: Rep:
- ☑ Camilla Gibson State Educational Rep

#### <u>Assistive Technology User including Local</u> <u>Community Advisory Committee Reps.</u>

- Debbie Culver [Rita Houston] ADRS Rep for the Blind: - REC'D SEC.
- ☑ **Michael Collins** Enabling Resources
- □ Ronnie McCall ADRS Rehab Engineer
- ✓ **Graham Sisson [Jamyla Genous]** Asst. Attorney General, Consumer Relations Coor. & State ADA Coor. - CHAIR
- ✓ **Scott Renner** CIL: Montgomery
- ☑ Barbara Crozier -Statewide – V-CHAIR
- □ Randy S -Blind- Opportunity Center, Mobile
- □ Fred Rounsaville FEMA
   ☑ Archie Short Southern Disability Foundation (Paula Blevins-Russell)
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#### **OTHER Contracts/Collaboration Reps:**

- ☑ Elizabeth Bookwalter State Dept of Insurance
- ☑ Anita Sherman & Matt Haynes ADRS: MAPS (Career Center One Stop Shops)
- □ Nancy Young Mike Almaroad Rebecca Beazeal - 3-R Project – Opportunity Center
- Cheryl Smith WasteNot Program UCP Huntsville- FIN. SEC
- ☑ Jeff Mega ADRS Rehab Engineer

#### **Ex-Official Council Members:**

- ☐ Susan McKim –Easter Seals
- **☑** ADRS Commissioner Steve Shivers
- ☑ VR Jim Harris III
- BD Jim Carden
- □ SAIL TM Jones
- ☑ CRS Cary Boswell [Debbie Wright]
- □ EI Betsy Prince
- □ Legal Steve Simpson
- ☑ P & A: ADAP Ellen Gillespie [Lonnie Williams]
- ☑ Dr. Pamela Blome STAR Executive Director
- ☑ Rosalyn Alford STAR Alternative Fin Coordinator
- ☑ Helen Baker STAR A.T. Centers Coordinator
- ☑ Donna Bowden STAR TA & Training Coordinator

#### **Community Based Organization Reps:**

- ✓ Amy Wanous EI
- Devery Wright CRS
- Governor's Committee on Employment of People w/Disabilities
- ☑ Darold Dunlay Mental Health Assoc.
- □ -----Council for

Developmental Disabilities –

- □ Bob Davison, Doug Dixon, Glenn Tommie -E.H. Gentry: AIDB
- □ **Lynn Krueger,** Mobile Assoc for Blind
- □ Cassandra Cooper ES Micro Enterprises

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## **AGENDA ITEMS:**

- 1. Welcome & Introductions... Barbara Crozier
  - ✓ Sign-In present, Check-Off for Conference Callers
  - ✓ Briefings: Commissioner Steve Shivers & Asst. Commissioner Jim III
- 2. Minutes: APPROVED NO CHANGES NEEDED
  - ✓ Emailed, receive okay need them mailed ,etc.
  - ✓ Content Question, amendments to , etc.
- 3. Meeting Agenda
  - ✓ Updates:
    - 1. Mission [attachment # 1: SAC Requirements]
    - 2. Council Membership & Structure [attachment # 2 & #3]
  - ✓ State Level Activities:
    - 1. AT Centers Helen Baker [Report as attachments]
      - ✓ Recycling Centers
      - ✓ Device Demonstrations
      - ✓ Device Loans
    - 2. Alternative Financing Rosalyn Alford [Report as attachments]
  - ✓ State Leadership Activity Overview:
    - Training & Technical Assistance Donna Bowden Reporting Forms:
      - Satisfaction Surveys
      - Strategic Planning Overviews

### Other:

- ✓ Hurricane Katrina
- ✓ Additional:

#### **Next Meeting:**

✓ Thursday, March 23<sup>rd,</sup> – 10-12:00

## **PowerPoint Presentation Highlights:**

- □ 1<sup>st</sup> SAC Meeting under new structure
  - a. Welcome
  - b. Minutes & Agenda
  - c. Comments regarding minutes
- AGENDA:
  - 1. Updates:

- 2. State Level Activities:
  - Assistive Technology Centers (Recycling, Device Loan Demonstrations, Short-term Device Loans)
    - 1. Data Collection, Committees
  - Alternative Financing Programs
    - 1. Program Status, Loan Review Committee, Data Collection
- 3. State Leadership Activities: Overview of State Plan "Attachment 8"
  - □ Training, Technical Assistance, Transition



Hard copies and alternative formats are available upon requests

- 4. Performance Measures:
  - □ Federal Data System that is inclusive in telling our story regarding meet & un-met assistive technology needs in Alabama
- 5. Other:
- □ Hurricane Katrina: grants, bills & initiatives
- 6. Next Meeting: A reminder notice will be emailed
  - □ Thursday, March 23<sup>rd</sup>: 10-12pm
  - □ "Conferencing Calling" pre-notification requested
  - □ Absentee Alternates Representation requests

# **ADDITTIONAL:**

\* please return all requested Council forms ASAP

- Please do not underestimate the value of your input
- □ Alternative formats available upon requests